

Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works

Date: January 22, 2003

To: Transportation and Public Works Committee

Subject: University East Renovation Project

Recommendations:

 Approve the layout, dated January 22, 2003 for renovation of the University East Renovation Project with 35W as the western limits, 15th Avenue Southeast on the east, University Avenue Southeast on the south and the railroad tracks north of 8th Street Southeast.

Prepared or Submitted by: Lisa Cerney, Project Engineer, 673-3061

Approved: Brian Lokkesome, P.E., Interim City Engineer, Director of Public Works
By: Paul Ogren, Director of Engineering Services ______
Presenters in Committee: Lisa Cerney, Project Engineer

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

X No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget.
(If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)

Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
Action requires use of contingency or reserves
Other financial impact (Explain):

Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Community Impact

Neighborhood Notification — A neighborhood committee has been involved through the process of layout development (See information below).

Comprehensive Plan – Addresses 1.1, 1.9, 2.3, 4.2, 4.3, 7.1, 8.1, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4, 8.5, 8.6, 8.9, 8.10, 8.11, 8.12

Background/Supporting Information Attached

The purpose of this letter is to request that your Committee approve the University East Renovation layout, dated January 22, 2003, (attachment A).

Background information:

- These segments were last constructed in the 1970's.
- The surface of the roadway is in poor condition.
- The segments are residential streets.
- This project is within Ward 2 and the Marcy-Holmes neighborhood.

The proposed project:

- The purpose of the University East Renovation projects is to extend and improve the
 current life of the roadway by resurfacing and addressing major curb and gutter,
 sidewalk and catch basin deficiencies. There will be spot replacement of curb and
 gutter, sidewalk and catch basins. The existing asphalt surface will be milled and
 overlaid it with a new bituminous wearing course.
- Engineering Services is doing the design on this project and Field Services will be doing the road construction.
- The proposed roadways will continue to function the same as the current conditions.
- The roadway width will remain unchanged.
- In working with a neighborhood committee; the following amenities will be added; No Parking signs placed 30 feet from each intersection where parking is currently allowed (this will increase sight lines; therefore increasing the safety of pedestrians, bikers and vehicles) and a pedestrian flasher will be installed at 5th Street Southeast and 10th Avenue Southeast. These amenities fit within the existing project budget.
- Public Works staff has met with Council Member Paul Zerby and Council Assistant
 Allan Bernard and decided to form a neighborhood committee by presenting the
 project at the regular scheduled neighborhood meeting. There was a committee of 6
 members, all residents of Marcy-Holmes, that worked to complete the proposed
 layout. In addition to working with the neighborhood Public Works has also been in
 contact with the Dinkytown Business Association and the University of Minnesota.
 These amenities were taken back to the full neighborhood meeting Tuesday,
 January 21, 2003 and received approval.

Scheduling, Costs and Funding

- The construction of this project is scheduled for 2003.
- The estimated cost for the University East Renovation Project is \$1,559,044.
- The funding is available as part of the 2003 Renovation Program with Net Debt Bond and Assessment Bond Funds.

cc: Council Member Paul Zerby, Ward 2